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I am a citizen in Nashville, Tennessee, who is tired of this continuous dragging out of the Microsoft case. From the beginning I have felt that proving the consumer has been harmed by Microsoft over the past 10 years was hard to comprehend. Today a consumer can own a computer for less than \$1000 with an operating system of software under \$100 that ten years ago cost thousands of dollars and only corporations could afford them. Also by Microsoft pioneering this home computer industry many other companies have emerged and grown tremendously on the surge of this new industry. If competitors have been harmed, I am not sure they would have been in business if not for the early innovations of Microsoft. That brings us to today and a few states funded by special interest groups who will benefit at Microsofts demise are continuing to pressure the politicians in thier states to refuse to accept a seettlement hashed out by the Federal Government and other states. We are at war as a country, and I feel that to prolong this case is embarrassing and ridiculous in the scope of priorities for our country now. Please use whatever means legally to discourage these states who do not represent the average consumer by continuing this case. IT IS TIME TO STOP.